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JOHN CHINAMAN.
 His Ways of Business in California.
 San Francisco Letter.

There is scarce an industry in San Francisco at present which is not more or less affected by Chinese competition. Cigar manufacturers and dealers are disgusted with the growing depravity in taste on the part of the citizens which leads to the annual consumption of nearly a hundred millions of Chinese cigars, the vilest in odor and appearance of all noxious products; the boot and shoe manufacturers are grieved by the reflection that more than three thousand heathens are stealing away their custom and turning out at least one-fourth of all the leather goods manufactured in the city; the Italian fishermen and vegetable gardeners sigh to see pig-tailed drawers of nets monopolizing the best fishing grounds in the harbor, or the bamboo pole and its twin swaying baskets providing "garden truck" for whole streets of families, while they themselves knock unpunished at the doors. Even the Irishman, who expected no competition in his profession of scavenger, imprecates bad luck upon the saddle-colored gutter snipe who picks papers and rags from the mud before him. The manufacture of clothing, tin-ware and woollen fabrics has also been extensively undertaken, and, as is the case with the other industries which the Chinese have entered upon, made profitable to an astonishing degree. Even as pawnbrokers they have shown marked business ability, and will grind the faces of the poor in a way which would be highly creditable to their shrewdest competitor. They are betaking themselves to new pursuits every day, and there are now few mechanics and manufacturers, however secure they might once have deemed themselves to be in their specialties, who would feel surprised should a Chinaman suddenly offer himself in the market as their competitor.

A CASE OR TWO IN POINT.

A manufacturer of my acquaintance, who did a thriving business in making a certain article of ironmongery, was recently considerably astonished to see one of his Celestial workmen, who had left him a few days before, suddenly set up a shop of his own, where he produced exactly the same article, but of superior finish and at a much lower price. A maker of bird-cages also a short time ago had in his employ a peculiarly thick-headed Mongolian, who, notwithstanding his inefficiency, one day demanded higher wages and was summarily dismissed. A week afterward, however, a long unoccupied shop directly across the street was opened, a stock of splendid bird-cages adorned the windows and shelves, and a gorgeous brocade of gold and vermilion informed the American and Chinese passer-by that Quok Gow, the quondam workman, having set up for himself, was prepared to produce these articles in a most skillful manner and at prices greatly below any before advertised—a proclamation which he so abundantly fulfilled as to drive his former employer to other fields.

THIEFTY INGENUITY.

In the hand-dry business John enjoys almost a complete monopoly; his signs appear in every part of the city, the splutter of water which he blows from his mouth over the clothes and the sound of his iron his baskets of clean or soiled apparel are encountered by myriads in every walk. He is hard worker, and toils early and late, economizing every moment and never wasting in dissipation or expensive pleasures the dollars he accumulates. As rents are high, he utilizes every inch of space in his shop or factory, and it is a common sight to see built in a room which is high enough to allow it a second floor six feet above the first, upon which machines are placed and workmen busy themselves, thus doubling the productive power of the factory without increasing the rent. He has also a shrewd conception of what is a desirable business location, and often resorts to crafty artifices to gain a foothold therein. A family which lived in a fashionable quarter of the city had an unoccupied room in the basement of their house, and, as there was no prospect that they should have any occasion to use it, they rented it for merely a nominal sum to the Chinaman who supplied them with vegetables—a neat, respectful and interesting fellow, who desired to store there his baskets and carrying-pole, in order that they might be conveniently near his daily round. This room had a door opening directly upon the main street, and as it was somewhat separated from the rest of the building, no attention was paid to the Chinaman's operations. But one morning the owner of the house, as he

started down town to his business, saw a strange commotion in and about the basement. Smoke and steam were pouring from door and windows; forms clothed in shippers and a nondescript white cotton garment like a night gown were bustling to and fro; piles of steaming clothes lay upon the floor; flat irons were plying and water squirting, while a dreadful jabbering kept up a running accompaniment, and a sign over the door intimated what was already apparent, that Ah Sing had left vegetables and gone into the laundry business. The owner of the house fumed and swore, as was very natural under the circumstances. Ah Sing presented the lease which had been executed and which gave him possession of the basement for three months. In vain the owner urged that he had not leased the apartment for any such purpose as the one to which it had been devoted; the Celestials remarked "No shabee" to all his representation and calmly continued their work, and the upshot of the whole matter was that a large sum had to be paid before the equipments of the laundry were removed and the basement locked up again. The victim now refuses all dealings with the race, and is one of the strongest opponents in the city of Chinese immigration and cheap labor.

THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF CHINESE BUSINESS.

It is difficult to determine accurately to what dimensions Chinese manufacture have grown. The manufacturers themselves are very reticent upon the subject, and usually refuse to afford any information whatever, and the whit-men can only give such rough and incomplete estimates as are founded upon the decrease in their own business—a decrease to which other causes may have contributed. The success which has attended almost every branch of industry in which the Chinese have engaged is doubtless mainly due to the system pursued, namely, that of co-operation. Each person engaging in the business puts in fifty or a hundred dollars, as the case may be, and, besides hiring workmen, does a part of the manual labor himself. At the end of six months or a year the profits of the enterprise are divided proportionately among the stockholders, the amount realized by trade is generally added to the original capital, and by a slow but sure accumulation the concern gains position and influence in the commercial world. The Chinese have thoroughly tested the co-operative system of manufacture, and have almost uniformly made it successful.

CHINESE BUSINESS HABITS.

The greatest success of the Chinese system has been seen in the shoe trade, which, though less than seven years old, is now carried on by about fifty factories, representing nearly two million of dollars capital. As in all other industries, their knowledge of the art was gained from American manufacturers, who introduced this class of labor at a time when Caspian strikes and exactions were most frequent and oppressive. Though this step has finally injured the employers, it resulted in this much of good, that strikes and labor leagues have since then been almost unknown in the State, for workmen well know that if they afford John any opening whatever he will immediately occupy it, and when once established he is a difficult person to remove. The Chinese shoe manufacturers procure nearly all their supplies of leather, findings, &c., from local dealers, and thus far at least cannot be condemned as carrying all their earnings out of the country. Indeed, the trade of our dealers in shoe-making materials is principally thus supported, for the American manufacturers generally import directly from the East. The trade is very satisfactory, too, inasmuch as it is principally cash, for the Chinese dislike long credits and usually come to purchase with a bag of money in their hands. When credit is given—as I have known it to be to the extent of \$5,000 a month to a single manufacturer—the debt is almost invariably paid at the exact time agreed upon; extensions are seldom asked for, and dealers have few bad debts among the Chinese. The tricks of fraudulent bankruptcy and other "ways that are dark," which are of not infrequent occurrence among white men, are almost unknown among Chinese. Cases have been brought to light, indeed, where a firm went into insolvency, sponged out the old name of the association from its sign and reappeared at the old stand soon afterward under new colors but with the same partners and managers, but such business is in general strongly condemned by the Chinese, who, though sharp and crafty tradesmen, are far from being swindlers.

CAUSES OF THE COMPETITION.

The recent agitation upon the subject of Chinese immigration and labor has, in my opinion, done much to aggravate the evils of this class of competition. One of the attendant symptoms of the outbreak was the determination formed by a large number of persons not to patronize manufacturers who employed Chinamen. Accordingly the manufacturers began to discharge these workmen and employ white persons, principally young girls, at low wages. But the result of this step was what might have been but was not expected. Every Chinaman who left the factories at once joined some Chinese establishment or set up in business for himself, and the increase in the number of firms has never been so great as during the last few months. For the first in-

duction of Chinese labor the trade-union and leagues are more to blame than has been commonly supposed. Thanks to them the system of apprenticeship is almost unknown in San Francisco, boys and young men who desire to learn useful mechanical professions are kept in idleness, many quarters of the city are constantly in terror from hoodlums created by the unions and growing up to desperate manhood, and wages are kept up to a point which seriously embarrasses the manufacturers in their efforts to compete with Eastern capital and enterprise. The Chinaman, seeming to offer a relief for this state of things, was eagerly employed, and if manufacturers are harassed by competition and workmen thrown out of employment by labor more cheaply offered than theirs, the trade-union system, which has caused incalculable distress all over the country, is to a great degree responsible for it. With the present number of manufacturers, neither Americans nor Chinese need have much fear for the future of their business. The country is rapidly growing in population and wealth, and the market for our goods is constantly extending. Already the immense territory from Colorado to the Pacific, from Alaska and British Columbia to the Isthmus, is principally supplied by this city, while even the Sandwich Islands and countries yet farther removed are constantly ordering large shipments. When the resources of the State are so far developed as to furnish most of our supplies—as will soon be the case—the present evils of competition will be turned into benefits to manufacturers, workmen and consumers.

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 These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said A. Yongue Turner, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Fairfield Court House, S. C., on the 11th day of November next, after publication of aforesaid notice, in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said administration should not be granted.
 Given under my hand, this twenty-fourth day of October, Anno Domini 1876.
 JNO. J. NELL, J. P. F. C.
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State of South Carolina,
 COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

By Jno. J. Nell, Esquire, Probate Judge.

WHEREAS, James Turner, Esq., hath made suit to me to grant him letters of administration of the estate and effects of A. Yongue Turner, deceased; and I have, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said A. Yongue Turner, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Fairfield Court House, S. C., on the 11th day of November next, after publication of aforesaid notice, in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said administration should not be granted.
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